As your elected representative to the United States Congress, it is my responsibility to ensure that you are able to communicate effectively with the many agencies and offices of the federal government. I take this responsibility very seriously and the caseworkers in my office are here to assist you in working with the federal government.

If you have a question or a problem that involves a federal agency, I strongly encourage you to contact my district office by calling (513) 684-2723 or

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to download our constituent services and privacy release form.

This form can be completed and faxed to my office at (513) 421-8722 or mailed to my district office:

441 Vine St., Suite 3003

Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

My role in helping you with a federal agency is to make inquiries on your behalf. The inquiries for example may be status updates on pending social security or veteran's benefits claims, requesting additional information from an agency regarding your case, or encouraging an agency to give your case consideration.

I am not able to force an agency to expedite your case or to act in your favor. I am able to act as a facilitator to ensure that all of Ohio's First Congressional District residents are treated in a fair,

timely manner and that federal agencies follow their administrative procedures.

Some of the issues my caseworkers can help with include:

- military awards and commendations;
- veterans' benefits;
- Social Security and Medicare benefits;
- immigration matters;
- federal worker injury compensation;
- small-business concerns;
- tax matters and the Internal Revenue Service;
- housing:
- student loans; and
- military academy applications

In order to assist you, I need a completed privacy release form to contact the relevant federal agencies on your behalf. Please complete a constituent services and privacy release form by

<u>clicking here</u> or call my district office at (513)
684-2723 to have a form mailed to you.

Be sure to include a detailed description of your problem, the government agency involved and, if possible, a copy of the most recent correspondence from the agency involved.

Please Note: Congressional courtesy and ethics rules dictate that each Member of Congress has the privilege of serving only his or her constituents. Therefore, my office can only assist residents of Ohio's First Congressional District.

If you are not sure who your Congressional Representative is visit the U.S. House of Representatives website by clicking

here

to find out.

As a Member of Congress, I cannot intervene in any civil or criminal legal matter. In addition, I am unable to assist you with problems involving Ohio State agencies, such as child support services.

your problem is with an

Ohio State or local agency

, you may want to contact your Ohio State Senator by clicking here